

What is Prop 412?

The municipal court facilities project consists of the design and construction of a courthouse and parking garage with a minimum of 200 parking spaces. Proposition 412 will allow the City to sell bonds in order to create a facility to house the Flagstaff Municipal Court and the Flagstaff City Attorney's Prosecution Division. Coconino County will provide funding for the inclusion of the Flagstaff Justice Court. The current plan is to create this joint facility on the site of the old jail (currently vacant) in downtown Flagstaff, with a parking garage.

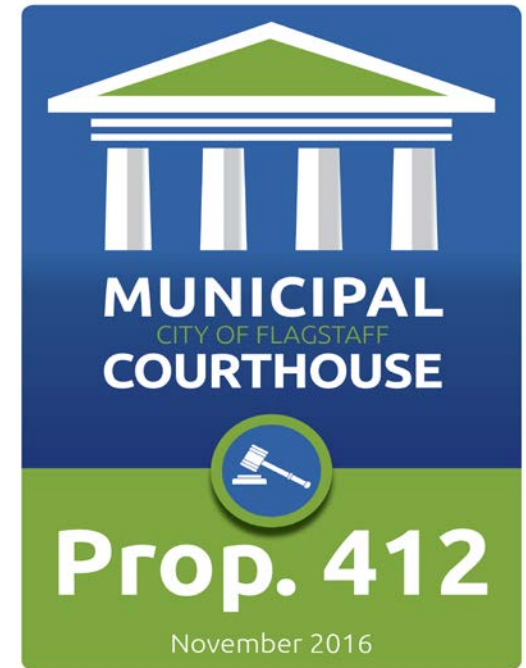


The proposed bonds are to be paid by an extension of the secondary property tax rate. If approved, the extension would keep the rate at the current level so residents would not see an increase, nor would they see a decrease.

Mission Statement and Program

The mission of the employees of the Flagstaff Municipal Court is to foster a positive and productive environment that promotes the efficient and effective administration of justice.

The Flagstaff Municipal Court is responsible for the adjudication and disposition of all local code violations, criminal misdemeanor, criminal traffic and civil traffic cases that occur within the Flagstaff City limits in a prompt, judicious and effective manner. The Court is accountable to the Arizona Supreme Court through the Superior Court in judicial and operational matters and reports to the City regarding financial and administrative matters not unique to court operations.



City of Flagstaff Municipal Court Facilities

Proposition 412

The Municipal Court Facilities Bond Issue will appear in the City's General Election and Bond Authorization Special Election held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016. Proposition 412 will allow the City of Flagstaff to sell and issue general obligation bonds up to \$12 million to construct a new courthouse and parking garage.

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Where Will the New Courthouse Be Located?

The site identified is the old jail, it is adjacent to the historic Coconino County Superior Court and the small historic jail, which will be preserved. The new municipal court facility is proposed to be built solely on the site of the old jail on the corner of N. Agassiz Street and E. Birch Avenue. Currently the old jail building sits vacant.

211 N. Agassiz, Flagstaff, Arizona

Current:



Concept:



Location:



Why Prop 412?

The Flagstaff Municipal Court has operated from a converted furniture store located at 15 North Beaver Street since 1985. The challenges employees and court users face on a daily basis include:

- Inadequate security, courtrooms, client conference rooms and jury assembly areas
- No prisoner holding or separation of the prisoners from the public
- The facility is too small for current or future operations, is 85 years old and reaching the end of life
- Current facilities at both the County and the City lack adequate parking. More parking will not only benefit courthouse visitors, but will increase parking availability downtown
- The building floods during rainfall, contains asbestos and is structurally deteriorating

FAQs

What is the cost to the City?

The City commitment to the project is estimated to be \$21.5 million. Up to \$12 million will be funded through the bond, with the remaining balance paid through court fees, real estate sales and other funds, along with the county contribution to the project.

What is the estimated total cost of the bonds?

Should the bonds be authorized and issued, the City estimates that the total cost of the bonds, including principal and interest would be \$17,733,038 (*approximately \$5 million in interest.*)

Why will the City borrow money to fund some of the Project?

Construction costs continue to rise and will be more expensive the longer the project is postponed.

How much additional parking would be provided in the downtown area?

The current proposal would call for a minimum of 200 additional parking spaces in a proposed garage.

What has changed since the 2010 proposal?

In 2010, Proposition 401 called for a \$23 million bond for a courthouse that was all bond financed at an unknown location. Proposition 412 calls for a \$12 million in funding for a multi-agency facility and parking garage located on the corner of Birch and Agassiz.